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Mr. Mark Lawrence
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Dear Mr. Lawrence:

Thank you for your participation in the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration's (CDTFA) July 27, 2017 Business Taxpayers' Bill of Rights Meeting held in Irvine. I appreciate you taking the time to express your concerns regarding the under-reporting of sales taxes from cash only businesses in your community.

I will be bringing the issue to the attention of the Chief of Field Operations for the CDTFA. In addition to auditing businesses, Field Operations is responsible for the Statewide Compliance and Outreach Program (SCOP). SCOP helps ensure all California retailers are in compliance with the California Sales and Use Tax Law. Although privacy laws do not allow the CDTFA to share with you the outcome of their audits and investigations, please allow me to express my appreciation for assisting the CDTFA in curtailing the issues you described.

Thank you again for sharing your ideas and concerns as part of the annual meeting process. If you have any further questions about this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me at 1-916-324-2798. You may also contact Mr. Irving Buford of my staff at 1-916-556-9255.

Sincerely,

Todd Gilman, Chief
Taxpayers' Rights Advocate Office

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CC: Mr. Nicolas Maduros, Director, CDTFA (MIC 73)
Mr. Wayne Mashihara, Chief, Field Operations (MIC 47)
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